

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| In re Application of | : | |
| Giuseppe CAPUTO | : | Confirmation No: 5913 |
| Serial No.: 10/568,159 | : | Group Art Unit: 1626 |
| Filed: Feb 13, 2006 | : | Examiner: CHU, Yong Liang |
| Title: CYANIN-TYPE COMPOUNDS HAVING AN ALKYNYL LINKER ARM | | |

RESPONSE WITH AN RCE
WITH PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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In response to the Final Office Action dated November 10, 2008, and pursuant to Applicant's submission of a request for Continued Examination, please enter the following amendments and consider the accompanying remarks. Applicant requests a one (1) month extension of time for filing the attached Response pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17(a)(1). The required fees are attached hereto.

It is believed that the amendments and response represent a complete response to the rejection and place the application into condition for allowance.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.